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REFLECTIVE SENSOR, AND
METHOD OF DETECTING OBJECT
USING THE SAME

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STATEMENT**

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Sir:

This is an Information Disclosure Statement submitted in compliance with the timing requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(2), i.e., after a first Office Action on the merits but before Final Rejection and/or Notice of Allowance.

Attached are copies of two Japanese Unexamined Patent Publications No. 2003-207578 and 11-49405 with English-language abstracts and computer translations, and a Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 4-91691 corresponding to U. S. Patent No. 5,172,003. The publications were cited in a Japanese Office Action dated May 31, 2005 for the corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-197453. Any relevance of the Japanese publications can be gleaned from the English translations. The publications are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Consideration of the documents is respectfully requested.

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